

Day, Date, Departure Time & Departure Place	<h2 style="text-align: center;">Outing Description</h2> <p style="text-align: center;">SPRING, 2006</p>	Rating, Total Length & Elevation Gain
Tues, Mar 14 6:30 pm Social 7:00 pm Meeting Rec Center	<p><i>S.O.! General Meeting.</i> “The Importance of Wild Places,” by Kalin Grigg and Jennifer Stark. Experience vicariously, their 10-day excursion through Alaska’s Wildlife Refuge and their encounter with a deadly grizzly.</p>	
Wed, Mar 15 9:00 am Animas City Park 9:30 am Albertsons	<p><i>Wednesday Wanderers Walk the Animas River Trail.</i> From March 15 through April 5, the hikes are the same. Walk the Animas River Trail to the Mall and return. You Choose. Long walks meet at Animas City Park at 9 am with Susan Beck-Brown. Short walk meets at Albertsons parking lot at 9:30 with Joan Huntley. Dogs OK.</p> <p>For Info, call Susan Beck-Brown 375-0948</p>	Easy or Easy + 5 “ 10.5 miles Flat
Wed, Mar 15 9:am, Santa Rita 9:30 am Mancos	<p><i>XC-Ski Chicken Creek.</i> This can be a 3-9 mile XC-ski, whatever the group wishes. Harry has some extra XC-Ski equipment to loan, if needed. Limit 12. Carpool \$6. No dogs.</p> <p>RSVP: Harry Hance 533-9757. Co-Leader George Hozier</p>	Easy “ Moderate 3-9 miles
Sat, Mar 18 9:00 am Animas City Park 9:30 am DMR Overflow	<p><i>Snowshoe Coal Creek Trail.</i> Snowshoe up Coal Creek Trail to just above tree line for awesome views from meadow North of Engineer Mountain. Plunging downhill into Deer Creek is a possibility. 4WD conv. Carpool \$6. Dogs OK.</p> <p>RSVP: John Martin 247-2581.</p>	Hard 5 miles 1,200’ max
Mon, Mar 20 8:30 am Santa Rita Park 9:30 am	<p><i>Hike Graveyard Canyon “ A finger of McElmo Canyon.</i> We will access Canyons of the Ancients National Monument via private lands to Graveyard Canyon. We’ll visit a turn-of-the-century cemetery. Climb 300’ on a slick rock trail and visit 4 Anasazi sites including 1 kiva. We continue the loop down a steep trail at the head of Graveyard Canyon. Limit 10. Carpool \$10. No dogs.</p>	Moderate 4+ miles 300’+

Cortez Visitorsâ€™ Center	RSVP: Judy Lane 564-9086. Need Durango Co-Leader.	
Wed, Mar 22	Wednesday Wanderers. See Wednesday, March 15 for details.	
Sat, Mar 25 9 am Santa Rita Park	Hike Smelter Mountain. This hike begins behind Centennial Mall (Bodo Park) and follows a trail to the radio towers at the top of Smelter, with return by the same trail. Early turn-backs are ok. Thereâ€™s an option for those who wish a longer hike to continue on a through-hike to Wildcat Canyon (the route depends on snow/mud conditions and may involve bushwhacking.) RSVP: Ted Keller 382-0556	Moderate 4 miles <i>Option â€™ 6 1200â€™</i>
Mon â€™ Wed/Thurs. Mar 27-29 (30) 7:30 am 3/27 Rec Center Near 550 Hwy.	Hike-Car/Camp Utah: Great Gallery in Horseshoe Canyon & Nine-Mile Canyon. On Day 1: Drive to camp area off Hwy. 24 (N of Hanksville, S of Green River) for car camping. Day 2: Hike Horseshoe Canyon to the Great Gallery for fantastic rock art. Drive to next camp area near Nine-Mile Canyon. Day 3: Drive through Nine-Mile Canyon (N. of Wellington) with frequent stops and short walks to view rock art along the worldâ€™s longest art gallery. Return to Durango (40 miles) or part way. 4-wheel drive convenient. Limit: 15. No dogs. Carpool cost: TBD. RSVP: Harry Hance 533-9757 by March 23 Leader: Howard Drake	Moderate Day 1: 7 miles 800â€™ Day 2: Driving & Short walks
Wed, Mar 29	Wednesday Wanderers. See Wednesday, March 15 for details.	
Thurs, Mar 30 10 am Animas City Park	Hike/Stroll near Falls Creek Road. If weather permits this early spring meander, weâ€™ll drive just north of town on Falls Creek Rd and walk some of the numerous trails on the ridge overlooking the Animas River Valley. There will be plenty of stops so it is rated Easy Minus. Carpool cost: \$1. Dogs OK. RSVP: Sharron Chambers 259-9271 or lightenerload@earthlink.net	Easy Minus 3+/- miles 200â€™+/-
Mon â€™ Wed April 3, 4, & 5 8 am April 3 Rec Center 11:30 am Moab Visitor Ctr. Moab, Utah	Hike Arches Natâ€™l Park, Utah & Car Camp on adjoining BLM Land or get Motel in Moab. Car camp free on BLM land 20 miles north of Moab. Bring Porta-Potty, tent, table, chairs, water & food. Motel people allow 1 hour to reach campsite. Day 1: Devils Garden Primitive Loop Trail . Day 2: Klondike Bluffs off trail & over rocks. Day 3: Loop hike from Goldbar Campground 10 miles down-river from Moab. Bring National Park Pass and GPS if you will do early turn-backs. Leader willing to stopover at Needles area of Canyonlands for an extra day or two if others are interested. Dogs OK at campground, but cannot go onto National Park trails. 4-wheel drive convenient. Carpool cost TBD. RSVP: Ted Keller 382-0556	Moderate 5 miles/day 500â€™/day

Wed, April 5	<i>Wednesday Wanderers.</i> See Wednesday, March 15 for details.	
Sat, April 8 9 am Santa Rita Park 9:30 am 112 Sunset, Mancos Harry's House	<i>Bike Cannonball Mesa & Visit Anasazi Ruin.</i> We'll drive to the parking lot 1 mile off McElmo Canyon Rd. then bike or walk up to the mesa. It is then about a 3-mile bike ride on packed dirt road (some rocks) to the Anasazi ruins. We'll return by the same route. Total time for biking and seeing ruins is about 3-4 hours. If desired, we can extend time to view Yellow Jacket Canyon. Easy bike ride for beginners. Limit 12. Carpool cost: \$10.00. No dogs. RSVP: Harry Hance 533-9757. Need co-leader to meet others in Durango.	Easy 8 miles 200'
Tues, April 11 6:30 pm Social 7 pm Meeting <u>The Senior Center next to the High School</u>	<i>SO! General Meeting</i> John Vavruska will discuss and show slides from his Nepal trek last Autumn when he trekked to the remote village of Nirmalidanda south of Mt. Everest where 21 years ago he was a Peace Corps volunteer. John will discuss the changes in Nepal over those years and compare photographs of the people and the country.	Not to be missed. See You at the Senior Center
Wed, April 12 9 am 8th Av & 8th St.	<i>Wednesday Wanderers Hike the FLC Loop.</i> Meet at 8 th and 8 th at 9 for the Ft. Lewis Loop. No RSVP required, just be there. Leader: Carolyn Smith	Easy 3 miles
Thurs, April 13 7 am Santa Rita Park	<i>Birding with Beatty.</i> Visit Montezuma County-Totten Reservoir, McPhee Reservoir, Dolores Ponds, & Narraguinnep. Look for waterfowl, hawks, & early migrants. May visit McElmo Canyon if time permits & look for Black-throated Sparrow, Gambel's Quail, & Black Phoebe. Easy walking with some bushwhacking. Boots recommended. This will be a full-day trip. Bring lunch, binoculars, field guide, & rain gear. Limit: 8. Carpool cost: \$10. No dogs and definitely no cats. RSVP: Jim Beatty 385-0184	Easy
Sat, April 15 7:30 am Santa Rita Park 8:30 am Cortez Visitors Ctr. Mildred & Main	<i>Hike/Stroll Sand Canyon.</i> We'll go slow and stop often to enjoy this beautiful Canyon. Bring water and lunch. Limit: 12. Carpool cost: \$9. No dogs. RSVP Liz Brown 564-9759 Co-leader: Harry Hance	Easy Minus 3 miles 200'
Sat, April 15 9 am Santa Rita Park	<i>Hike Carbon Peak.</i> From behind Centennial Mall (Bodo Park) we bushwhack to overlook the Animas-La Plata future reservoir. Slow pace; 4 hours. Dogs OK.	Hard for Mod. Hikers 4 miles

	RSVP: Ted Keller 382-0556	1300â€™™
<p>Mon, April 17</p> <p>9 am</p> <p>Animas City Park</p>	<p>Hike the new Gulch Trail. Starting at the TH near Edgemont, weâ€™™ll follow this new trail to the Missionary Ridge Trail as far as the group wants to go (or until Carol wears out) and then return. Early Turn-Back Option. Carpool Cost: \$1. Dogs OK.</p> <p>RSVP: Carol Milliet 259-0496 or cfog@frontier.net</p>	<p>Easy-Mod.</p> <p>Up to 8 miles</p> <p>Up to 1000â€™™</p>
<p>Tues, April 18</p> <p>9 am</p> <p>Santa Rita Park</p>	<p>Hike Sale Barn to Horse Gulch via Pautsky Point. Itâ€™™s time to look for early wildflowers (Jim knows all the colors!) This is a great through-hike in the Telegraph Trail system with lunch at Pautsky Point for 360 degree views. Advance car shuttle to leave some cars at Horse Gulch TH. No limit; minimum of 4. Dogs OK.</p> <p>RSVP: Jim Oâ€™™Brien 375-1693 by April 15.</p>	<p>Moderate+</p> <p>8 miles</p> <p>1500â€™™</p>
<p>Wed, April 19</p> <p>9 am</p> <p>Santa Rita Park</p>	<p>Wednesday Wanderers Hike the Sale Barn Trail. Hike the Sale Barn Trail just south of town, and no need to RSVP. 382-7622 for info.</p> <p>Leader: Ray Walker</p>	<p>Easy</p> <p>4 miles</p>
<p>Tues, April 25</p> <p>8:30 am</p> <p>Santa Rita Park</p>	<p>Hike the Dry Fork/Hoffheins Loop. Starting at the TH west of town on Dry Fork Rd., weâ€™™ll hike the Dry Fork Trail to the CO Trail, then east on the CT to Hoffheins Connection and back to the TH. You can go as fast as you want, but Iâ€™™m hiking at a gentle pace with occasional stops to admire the wild iris. Carpool cost: \$1. Dogs OK</p> <p>RSVP: Sharron Chambers 259-9271 or lightenerload@earthlink.net</p>	<p>Moderate+</p> <p>9 miles</p> <p>1,000â€™™</p>
<p>Wed, April 26</p> <p>9 am</p> <p>Hermosa Conoco Station</p>	<p>Wednesday Wandereers do our Spring Highway Clean-up. Meet at the Hermosa Conoco Station to help pick up trash along our adopted sections of 550 Highway.</p> <p>RSVP: Marv Dworkin 259-9434</p>	<p>Easy & Rewarding</p>
<p>Thurs, April 27</p> <p>8:30 am</p> <p>Animas City Park</p> <p>8:45 am</p> <p>Trimble Hot Sprgs</p>	<p>Hike Tripp Gulch. The trail starts at Joe & Dianneâ€™™s house and goes around the NW side of Falls Creek and High Meadow Ranches. Some bushwhacking and some snow possible. Itâ€™™s rated hard because of the elevation gain, but weâ€™™ll take a slow pace. Carpool cost: \$1. Dogs OK</p> <p>RSVP: Ted Keller 382-0556</p>	<p>Hard</p> <p>At slow pace</p> <p>7 miles</p> <p>3000â€™™</p>
<p>Th & Fri</p>	<p>Camp & Hike Hovenweep National Monument. On Day 1 weâ€™™ll drive the 90+/- miles from Durango, set up camp and do an easy hike on local trails</p>	<p>Easy-Moderate</p> <p>8 miles</p>

<p>May 4 & 5 8 am 5/4 Santa Rita park 8:30 am- Mancos 112 Sunset, Harryâ€™s</p>	<p>and/or hike the nearby outer ruin, Little Ruin Canyon. On Day 2 thereâ€™s a moderate hike to outlying ruins: Horseshoe & Hackberry. Limit: 12. Carpool cost: \$12. No Dogs. Leader: Harry Hance 533-9757</p>	<p>200â€™</p>
<p>Sat, May 6 9 am Animas City Park 9:30 am Haviland Lake turn-off at 550</p>	<p><i>Hike to Forebay Lake via Hidden Waterfall.</i> A scenic loop hike involving some easy off-trail bushwhacking past a waterfall (if it is running!) to Forebaby Lake. Return by the trail. Limit: 15. Carpool cost: \$3. Dogs OK. Leader: John Montle 259-9469 or mntnlvr@frontier.net</p>	<p>Moderate About 4 miles About 1000â€™</p>
<p>Wed, May 3 8:45 am Rec Center 9 am Birkit St. TH</p>	<p><i>Wednesday Wanderers Hike Jacobâ€™s Cliffs.</i> Weâ€™ll start at the Animas City Mountain TH and hike to the Jacobâ€™s Cliffs area. No RSVP needed; call 382-9967 for info. Leader: Dell Manners</p>	<p>Easy 3 miles</p>
<p>Mon, May 8 8 am Animas City Park</p>	<p><i>Hike Coon Creek to Horse Thief Park.</i> Weâ€™ll park on Missionary Ridge Rd. (FS 682) 2 miles past the Wallace Lake turn-off, then hike the old logging road to the ridge top overlooking Lemon Reservoir. Loop back by going north of FS 76 and then bushwhacking back to cars. Carpool cost: \$3. Dogs OK. Leader: Ted Keller 382-0556</p>	<p>Moderate Slow pace 5 miles 1000â€™</p>
<p>Tues, May 9 6:30 pm - Social 7 pm - Meeting Rec Center</p>	<p><i>SO! General Meeting</i> For nine weeks last summer, Rose and Jim Peters rode a tandem 4400 miles from Seattle to Boston on a supported bicycle trip. Jim will give a talk and slide show relating the motive, process, scenery, and personal experiences. The warning that a tandem can be detrimental to a marriage was declared obsolete by the end of the ride.</p>	<p>For all of us Easy Riders</p>
<p>Wed, May 10 9 am Horse Gulch TH</p>	<p><i>Wednesday Wanderers Hike Telegraph Hill.</i> This hike is rated Easy+/Moderate because it is 5 to 6 miles and has some elevation gain. No RSVP required, just meet at the 3rd Street Horse Gulch TH. Leader: Dale Suran 382-9600 for info.</p>	<p>Easy+/ Moderate 5-6 miles</p>

<p>Fri, May 12 9 am Fire Station #5 C.R. 234 & C.R. 240 (Florida)</p>	<p>Shuttle Hike on Missionary Ridge. Start the hike above Durango Hills (FS 71), traverse Missionary Ridge past Old Baldy, and meet ascending group for lunch then descend via First Fork Trail. Other group starts at First Fork; key exchange for shuttle. 4-wheel drive convenient. Limit: 12; minimum 4. Carpool cost: \$1. Maximum 2 dogs/group.</p> <p>Leader Brooks Taylor, 382-0165 or durangofolk@frontier.net Need Co-leader familiar with the trail.</p>	<p>Moderate About 8 miles 1300-1800â€™™ depending on route</p>
<p>Monday, May 15 8:30 am Santa Rita Park 9:30 am Silver Bean parking lot, Cortez</p>	<p>Hike Trail Canyon---between Ute Mt. Ute Land and Canyons of the Ancients National Monument. Trail Canyon empties into McElmo Canyon and may have been part of the Owlhoot Trail, an easy route for outlaws (maybe the Sundance Kid) to move horses and cattle. The area contains more than 100 archeological sites. We will hike partly along a dirt/gravel road and partly along a trail that is vague and rocky in places. 4-wheel drive convenient. Limit: 12. Carpool cost: \$10. No dogs.</p> <p>Leader: Bud Poe RSVP: Dave Rich, 247-8044 co-leader</p>	<p>Easy + 4 â€“ 6 miles 500â€™™</p>
<p>Tues, May 16 7 am Santa Rita Park</p>	<p>Birding with Beatty. Visit Archuleta County---start at campgrounds by Piedra River, drive through Fossett Gulch and end at Navajo Reservoir. Target species will be migrating warblers, vireos, tanagers, grosbeaks, and sparrows. Moderate walking with some bushwhacking---wear boots. This will be a full day trip. Bring lunch, binoculars, field guide & rain gear. Limit: 8. Carpool cost: \$10. No dogs & definitely no cats!</p> <p>RSVP: Jim Beatty 385-0184</p>	<p>Easy +</p>
<p>Wed, May 17 8:30 am Rec Center 9 am at the TH</p>	<p>Wednesday Wanderers Hike the Lower Hermosa Creek Trail. Always a pleasant hike, this should be a good time to look for early spring wildflowers. No RSVP needed, but you can call Chris for info: 259-0882.</p> <p>Leader Chris Wiehage</p>	<p>Easy + 4 miles</p>
<p>Sat, May 20 9 am Santa Rita Park</p>	<p>Hike Durango Ridge. Re-scheduled from last November, this is a moderate bushwhack hike. Weâ€™™ll wind through Division of Wildlife land via a gravel road and then bushwhack along Durango Ridge for views of the La Platas, Missionary Ridge, and the Lightner Creek Valley. If 65+, bring ID; if under-age, need DOW permit. Lunch option at the Kennebec CafÃ© following the hike. Limit: 15. Carpool cost: \$1. No dogs.</p> <p>RSVP: Pat & Lee Hayes 259-1491</p>	<p>Moderate Miles TBD El Gain TBD</p>
<p>Sun, May 21 8:30 am Santa Rita Park</p>	<p>Hike Ruin Canyon. If itâ€™™s a wet spring, cactus & mariposa lilies should be in full bloom. Several ruin sites can be explored, but please, donâ€™™t play with the rattle snakes this year. The tarantulas are all right to play with. Thereâ€™™s a good trail into the</p>	<p>Moderate 6 miles 600â€™™</p>

<p>9 am 112 Sunset Mancos, Harry's</p>	<p>canyon and some bushwhacking through the flowers. Insect repellent necessary. Carpool cost: \$12. Ask Harry about dogs. RSVP: Harry Hance 533-9757, co-leader Leader: Howard Drake</p>	
<p>Tues, May 23 8 am Animas City Park 8:45 am Cascade Curve on 550</p>	<p>Cascade Creek Waterfall Hike. Depending upon what counts as a waterfall, we should find at least 7 noteworthy falls (and some lesser ones) all trickling with the meager runoff of a dry year! It will be a long day, but we will take time to enjoy each waterfall as well as early flowers. On occasion, expect to jump over side creeks, scramble over downed trees, and sink your feet in some marshy areas---sort of like bushwhacking! Limit: 12. Carpool cost: \$3. Limit of 2 Dogs. RSVP: Travis Ward 247-1310</p>	<p>Hard Hike for Moderate Hikers 11 miles 1500'</p>
<p>Wed, May 24 8:45 am Rec Cntr 9 am at the TH</p>	<p>Wednesday Wanderers Hike Animas City Mountain. Always worth the view of Durango and the Animas River Valley, this hike is a favorite. Call the Murray's for info: 375-0454, but no need to RSVP. Leaders: Graham & Carolyn Murray</p>	<p>Easy +/ Moderate 4 miles</p>
<p>Wed, May 24 1:30 pm</p>	<p>Summer Outings Committee Meeting. We know that most of you have a favorite place to hike, stroll, or 4-wheel drive to check out the creeks, rocks, views, wildflowers or wildlife. Share those places with your SO! friends by leading or co-leading an Outing this summer. Call anyone on the Committee, or sign on when one of them calls you. Without volunteer leaders we'll have to change our name to Sedentary Seniors---NOT!</p>	<p>So easy!</p>
<p>Thurs, May 25 8:30 am Animas City Park 9 am DMR</p>	<p>Hike the Purgatory Trail to the Cascade Y. Through Cascade Canyon to the Animas River, this hike has rewards all the way, but remember the 900' climb back the last mile of this hike! Early Turn-backs are OK. Dogs are OK, too. Carpool cost: \$3. RSVP: Susan Beck-Brown 375-0948</p>	<p>Moderate Up to 8 miles 1100'</p>
<p>Wed, May 31 8:30 am Rec Cntr 9 am at the TH</p>	<p>Wednesday Wanderers Hike the Colorado Trail. We'll begin at the second Trail Head on Junction Creek Road and follow the trail along Junction Creek. No RSVP needed. Leader: Ed Osterman, for info call 259-8741</p>	<p>Easy + 3-4 miles</p>
<p>Fri, May 26 9 am Animas City Park</p>	<p>Hike the Colorado Trail to Gudy's Rest & Return. From the Junction Creek TH, we'll hike to Gudy's Rest to enjoy the view & a snack. Return the same route on the well-defined trail, so early turn-backs are OK. Dogs are OK, too. RSVP: Norm Broad 259-0569</p>	<p>Moderate 6 miles 900'</p>

<p>Wed – Friday May 31, June 1, 2 5/31 8:30 am Rec Cntr Lot Near 550</p>	<p>Back-Pack to Mountain View Crest. From the TH on Missionary Ridge we'll back-pack up to Mt. View Crest in the Weminuche, camp near one of the lakes, and explore the nearby peaks. Highest point is 12,600'. Return distance 8 miles. Call or E-mail Bill for Info. 4-wheel drive necessary. Limit: 12. Carpool cost: \$7. No Dogs. RSVP: Bill Cagle 385-4566 or cagle81301@yahoo.com</p>	<p>Hard 16+ miles 1100' +</p>
<p>Fri, June 2 9am Animas City Park</p>	<p>Vallecito Creek Trail Hike along the lovely Vallecito Creek through the pristine Weminuche Wilderness. The 2nd bridge is the final destination. You can hike as little or as long as you want on a very well-defined trail. If you plan to hike at least 6 miles round trip (to the first bridge) be prepared for a water crossing. Bring hiking poles and water shoes. Neoprene Socks and a small towel will also come in handy but are not essential. Limit: 15 Carpool Cost: \$4 Dogs OK RSVP Susan Beck-Brown 375-0948</p>	<p>Easy to Hard for Moderate Hikers 1 – 10 miles 900'</p>
<p>Sat, June 3 7:30 am Santa Rita Park 8:30 am in Dolores</p>	<p>Stroll/Hike Boggy Draw near Dolores. We will stroll through Ponderosa Pine woods with frequent stops. Bring water and a sack lunch. Estimated time for outing: 3 hours. Meet in Dolores at Joe Rowell Park, the 1st right turn after going down the hill to Dolores. Limit: 12. Carpool cost: \$10. No Dogs. RSVP: Liz Brown 564-9759</p>	<p>Easy Minus 3 miles Min El Gain</p>
<p>Mon, June 5 9 am Red Cntr Lot Near 550 Hwy.</p>	<p>Log Chutes Hike. We'll drive 7 miles up Junction Creek Rd. and park in the lot on the right then hike the upper loops through trees and along a logging road to a viewpoint. We then circle back to the TH and cars. Lower loop option is easy hike of 2-3 miles, 200' gain. Carpool cost: \$1. Dogs OK. RSVP: Dell Manners 382-9967</p>	<p>Easy or Moderate 3 – 7 miles 200' or 600'</p>
<p>Tues, June 6 9 am Animas City Park 9:30 am DMR</p>	<p>Hike – Larkspur Lane . An annual favorite named by John in 2001 for the larkspur and other flowers carpeting the meadows (in good years and when our timing is right!) We follow the well-established lower Engineer Mt. Trail part way up and back through woods and meadows with great views. Early turn-backs OK. Carpool: \$4. Dogs OK. RSVP: John Montle 259-9469 or mntnlvr@frontier.net</p>	<p>Moderate Or Easy if you turn back early 6 miles 1850'</p>
<p>Wed, June 7 9 am Albertsons Lot SW Corner</p>	<p>Wednesday Wanderers Hike the – No-Name Trail – off Dry Fork Rd. This hike is on DOW land, so bring ID (for 65+) or DOW permit. Dogs on leash OK. No RSVP req'd. Leader: Sharron Chambers 259-9271 or lightenerload@earthlink.net for info</p>	<p>Easy + 4 miles</p>

<p>Thurs, June 8 7:00 am Santa Rita Park</p>	<p>Birding with Beatty. Visit Vallecito Reservoir area—start at Lake Eileen TH and hike to lake then drive to top of Middle Mountain Rd. Target species will be nesting flycatchers, warblers, vireos, tanagers, grosbeaks, and woodpeckers. This is a moderate plus trip, a 1000—gain to lake Eileen with some bushwhacking. Boots recommended. It—s a full day; bring lunch, binoculars, field guide & rain wear. Limit: 8. No dogs, much less cats. Carpool cost: \$4.</p> <p>RSVP: Jim Beatty 385-0184</p>	<p>Moderate + 1000— gain</p>
<p>Sat, June 10 8:30 am Animas City park 9 am DMR</p>	<p>Meditative Hike from Coal Bank Pass to Engineer Meadows. Scheduled for Cascade Creek last fall, this Meditative Hike done in silence is re-scheduled for all of you who want to breathe in the silence and beauty of spring in the high country. Limit: 12. Carpool cost: \$5. No dogs---they talk too much.</p> <p>RSVP: Julia Dodd 382-0285</p>	<p>Moderate 5 miles 1400—</p>
<p>Mon, June 12 8:30 am Rec Cntr. Lot</p>	<p>Jacob—s Cliffs Area to Animas City Mountain. A little different approach to Animas City Mountain. Dogs are OK. Meet in the lot close to Highway 550.</p> <p>RSVP: Dell Manners 382-9967</p>	<p>Moderate 6 miles 800—</p>
<p>Tues, June 13 6:30 pm - Social 7 pm - Pot Luck</p>	<p>SO! General Meeting & Pot Luck</p> <p>Celebrate Summer—s arrival & pick up the new Summer Outings Schedule. Bring a dish for 8 with serving utensil and your own table service. Don—t forget food donation, too.</p> <p><u>A — F G — M N — R S — Z</u></p> <p>Dessert Main Dish Salad Main Dish</p>	<p>A piece of cake, and much more.</p>
<p>Wed, June 14 8:30 am Rec Cntr. 9 am at the TH</p>	<p>Wednesday Wanderers Hike the Jones Creek Trail. Starting near the Lower Hermosa Creek TH, we—ll hike through lovely pine and aspen and return. No RSVP needed.</p> <p>Leader: Chris Wiehage for info: 259-0882</p>	<p>Easy + 4 miles</p>
<p>Thurs. June 15 7:30am Animas City Pk 8:00am DMR</p>	<p>Hike Upper Hermosa Creek Trail. Hike along the lovely Hermosa Creek on a well defined trail to the 2nd bridge. Tailor the hike to your individual pace and strength. Hike as little or as long as you want. 4WD convenient to ford Hermosa Creek. Carpool: \$6 Dogs OK</p> <p>RSVP: Susan Beck-Brown 375-0948</p>	<p>Easy to Hard for Mod. Hikers 1-12 miles 100—</p>
<p>Sun, June 18</p>	<p>Hike Transfer—West Mancos. Hike down Transfer Trail to West Mancos River, along West Mancos and up to Rim Trail, then back to Trail Head. This is a</p>	<p>Easy or Moderate</p>

<p>8 am Santa Rita park 8:30 am Mancos 112 Sunset, Harry's</p>	<p>lovely 5 miles loop with an option for additional 2 miles to Coyote Park. Wonderful views of the West Mancos Valley. Limit: 12 Carpool cost: \$6. Dogs OK. RSVP: Harry Hance 533-9757</p>	<p>5 miles 600' 7 miles 1200'</p>
<p>Tues, June 20 9 am Animas City Park 9:30 am DMR</p>	<p>Annual Spud Mtn. Climb & Birthday Celebration. Enjoy a really fun hike/climb up a local landmark. <u>No Trail</u>. Some steepness, rock scrambling, and exposure involved. Group must stay together. Option to wait at base of rocky peak to avoid rock scrambling, but you'll miss the Dynamite Views! Help John and Connie celebrate their birthdays (10 years apart; which is which?) Limit: 10. Dogs OK but <u>not</u> for the final rock scramble to the top. Carpool cost: \$4. RSVP: John Montle 259-9469, mntnlvr@frontier.net Co-leader: Connie Webbe</p>	<p>Hard 3 miles 1840'</p>
<p>Wed, June 21 8:45 am Albertsons</p>	<p>Wednesday Wanderers Hike the Power Line Trail. Meet at the SW corner of Albertson's lot for an easy hike with views of Durango & the La Platas. No RSVP. Leader: Ed Osterman 259-8741 for info.</p>	<p>Easy 4 miles</p>
<p>Sun, June 25 7:30 am Animas City Park 8 am DMR</p>	<p>Hike Eureka over the Mountain to Boulder Gulch near Silverton. Car Shuttle to Eureka. Hike up the South Fork of the Animas to flowery meadow then climb over mountain ridge into Boulder Gulch to see crystals and flowers. Exposure on ridge. Finish at tailing ponds. Limit depends on number of 4-WD vehicles. 4 WD necessary for shuttle. Carpool cost \$8. No dogs. RSVP: Connie Webbe 382-0009 co-leader Leader: Howard Drake</p>	<p>Hard 6 miles 1800'</p>
<p>Wed, June 28 8:30 am Albertsons</p>	<p>Wednesday Wanderers Hike Dry Creek. Join Glenn and Nancy at the SW corner of Albertson's lot. Don't need to RSVP, but call 259-5128 if you have questions. Leader: Glenn & Nancy Yeakey</p>	<p>Easy 3-4 miles</p>
<p>Thurs, June 29 8 am Animas City Park</p>	<p>Hike Slide Rock. Drive up Junction Creek Rd. approx. 18 miles to the Colorado Trail. Significant elevation gain through forest, then on loose gravel trail. Goal is the mine and outhouse. Spectacular views! Optional short steep climb for view of Kennebec Pass. Some exposure. 4-wheel drive convenient. Carpool cost: \$5. Dogs OK, but RSVP.</p>	<p>Moderate 3 miles 1400'</p>

	RSVP: Norm Broad 259-0569	
<p>Mon-Fri July 17-21 Dates tentative Subject to snow melt</p>	<p><u>LOOKING AHEAD TO JULY</u></p> <p>â€œFourteener Marathon IIIâ€•</p> <p>7/17 Drive to Buena Vista (or camp near Winfield)</p> <p>7/18 Climb Huron 6.6miles/ 3400â€™™</p> <p>7/19 Climb La Plata 7 miles/3610â€™™</p> <p>7/20 Climb Princeton 6 miles/3200â€™™</p> <p>Limit: 15. No Dogs. Carpool cost TBD. 4-wheel drive necessary for some vehicles.</p> <p>RSVP: Betsy Petersen 259-5417, betsyp@frontier.net Leader: John Montle</p>	Major Climbing!
<p>Sat & Sun July 15 & 16</p>	<p><u>LOOKING AHEAD TO JULY -- ONCE MORE</u></p> <p><i>Camp & Help Re-build Freman Park Trail at Vallecito Lake.</i> Show up Friday evening to set up camp and up early Sat. for a great breakfast, make your lunch and back for dinner, entertainment, etc. Work 2/3 day on Sunday. They supply all the food, the tools, the water and snacks---FREE! We bring camping gear and cook ware for eating. There is a task for all levels of helpers. Info & Sign up: www.voc.org/ProjectsPreview.cfm Freeman Park, or call</p> <p>Team Leader: Gail Davidson 884-2949.</p>	
	<p>CHECK YOUR E-MAIL FOR E-OUTINGS</p> <p>â€œLast Minute Outingsâ€• may be added to complement our printed schedule via e-mail, so check them out. Leaders will follow the same guidelines and safety precautions (radios, first-aid kits, etc.) as regularly scheduled outings. If you know members who do not have e-mail, please pass along the info about the outings to them. And if youâ€™™d like to lead an outing but didnâ€™™t get it into the schedule in time for printing, contact the Outings Chair, Sharron Chambers, 259-9271, lightenerload@earthlink.net, or the E-Mail Coordinator, Brooks Taylor, 382-0165, durangofolk@frontier.net, with all the information, and then arrange (with the preceding and following trip leaders on the schedule) to pick up and drop off the trip bag. For those of you who have hectic schedules and cannot commit to lead a few months in advance, or for a fill-in outing when others must be cancelled, itâ€™™s not too late to lead at the last minute.</p>	

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